

report; which was referred to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

To the Congress of the United States:

It is my special pleasure to transmit herewith the Annual Report of the National Endowment for the Arts for the fiscal year 1994.

Over the course of its history, the National Endowment for the Arts has awarded grants for arts projects that reach into every community in the Nation. The agency's mission is public service through the arts, and it fulfills this mandate through support of artistic excellence, our cultural heritage and traditions, individual creativity, education, and public and private partnerships for the arts. Perhaps most importantly, the Arts Endowment encourages arts organizations to reach out to the American people, to bring in new audiences for the performing, literary, and visual arts.

The results over the past 30 years can be measured by the increased presence of the arts in the lives of our fellow citizens. More children have contact with working artists in the classroom, at children's museums and festivals, and in the curricula. More older Americans now have access to museums, concert halls, and other venues. The arts reach into the smallest and most isolated communities, and in our inner cities, arts programs are often a haven for the most disadvantaged, a place where our youth can rediscover the power of imagination, creativity, and hope.

We can measure this progress as well in our re-designed communities, in the buildings and sculpture that grace our cities and towns, and in the vitality of the local economy whenever the arts arrive. The National Endowment for the Arts works the way a Government agency should work—in partnership with the private sector, in cooperation with State and local government, and in service to all Americans. We enjoy a rich and diverse culture in the United States, open to every citizen, and supported by the Federal Government for our common good and benefit.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, March 28, 1996.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:26 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Goetz, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House agree to the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 1833) to amend title, United States State Code, to ban partial-birth abortions.

The message also announced that pursuant to the provisions of section 1 of Public Law 102-246, the Speaker appoints Mrs. Marguerite S. Roll of Paradise Valley, AZ, as a member from private life, to the Library of Congress Trust Fund Board on the part of the House to a 3-year term.

The message further announced that pursuant to the provisions of 22 U.S.C.

276d, the Speaker appoints Mr. Houghton of New York, chairman, on the part of the House to the United States Delegation of the Canada-United States Interparliamentary Group.

The message also announced that the House agrees to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 102. Concurrent resolution concerning the emancipation of the Iranian Baha'i community.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

At 12:07 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 2969. An act to eliminate the Board of Tea Experts by repealing the Tea Importation Act of 1897.

At 2:49 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Goetz, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House agrees to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the House of Representatives to the bill (S. 4) to grant the power to the President to reduce budget authority.

At 5:35 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 3136. An act to provide for enactment of the Senior Citizens' Right to Work Act of 1996, the Line Item Veto Act, and the Small Business Growth and Fairness Act of 1996, and to provide for a permanent increase in the public debt limit.

At 6:55 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bill and joint resolution:

S. 4. An act to give the President line item veto authority with respect to appropriations, new direct spending and limited tax benefits.

H.J. Res. 168. Joint resolution waiving certain enrollment requirements with respect to two bills of the One Hundred Fourth Congress.

The enrolled bill and joint resolution were signed subsequently by the President pro tempore [Mr. THURMOND].

MEASURE PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following concurrent resolution was read and placed on the calendar:

H. Con. Res. 102. Concurrent resolution concerning the emancipation of the Iranian Baha'i community.

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on March 22, 1996 he had presented to the President of the United States, the following enrolled joint resolution:

S.J. Res. 38. A joint resolution granting the consent of Congress to the Vermont-New Hampshire Interstate Public Water Supply Compact.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-2199. A communication from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Core Data Elements and Common Definitions for Employment and Training Programs"; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-2200. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Hellenikon International Airport, Athens, Greece; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2201. A communication from the Deputy Administrator of the General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a building project survey; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2202. A communication from the Chairman of the National Endowment for the Humanities, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2203. A communication from the Administrator of the U.S. Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act for fiscal year 1995; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2204. A communication from the Chairman of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Government in the Sunshine Act for calendar year 1995; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-537. A resolution adopted by the Council of the City of Willowick, Lake County, Ohio relative to the Internet; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

POM-538. A resolution adopted by the Legislature of the Virgin Islands; ordered to lie on the table.

"RESOLUTION No. 1551

"Whereas, the global spread of HIV infection and AIDS necessitates a worldwide effort to increase communication, education and preventive action to stop the spread of HIV and AIDS; and

"Whereas, the World Health Organization has designated December 1st of each year as World AIDS Day, a day to expand and strengthen the worldwide effort to stop the spread of HIV and AIDS; and

"Whereas, the World Health Organization now estimates that 18.5 million people have been infected with HIV and that more than 1.5 million of them have developed AIDS; and

"Whereas, the American Association for World Health is encouraging a better understanding of the challenge of HIV and AIDS nationally as it recognizes that the number of people diagnosed with HIV and AIDS in the United States continues to increase; and